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FREE THEATER PERFORMANCE AT THE LIBRARY *The Last Five Years*, Produced by Elements Theatre Collective

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The Santa Barbara Public Library System is partnering again with Elements Theatre Collective to bring live theater to the community. A free performance of *The Last Five Years* will be held in the Faulkner Gallery of the Central Library on Sunday, April 28, at 2 p.m. This will be the final performance of this production, intended for an adult audience. There will be an intermission, and a cast-member talkback session follows the performance. The Santa Barbara Central Library is located at 40 E. Anapamu Street, in Santa Barbara.

A musical that defies many standard musical conventions, *The Last Five Years* follows the relationship between Cathy, an aspiring actress, and Jamie, a successful novelist, over the course of five years. Cathy's story moves in reverse chronological order, while Jamie's moves forward. It is suggested, but not required, that free seats be reserved online at the Elements website, elementstheatrecollective.com.

"This partnership between the Library and Elements Theatre Collective is natural," said reference librarian Chris Gallery, "because both have the mission to provide free, accessible cultural experiences to the community." Elements Theatre Collective held the final performance of their last show, *Or*, at the Library in February, with a full audience.

All Library programs are free and open to the public. For information about events and services of the Santa Barbara Public Library System, visit the web site at SBPLibrary.org.

Elements Theatre Collective: <http://elementstheatrecollective.com/about>

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